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1. ACCORDING TO ONE OF HIS CLOSEST ADVISORS, NIMEIRI SUPPORTS CAMP DAVID SUMMIT. DURING CONVERSATION WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30 ON OTHER MATTERS WITH PROMINENT LOCAL BUSINESSMAN FATH ABD AL-RAHMAN BESHIR, WE DISCUSSED SUDANESE RELATIONS WITH EGYPT AND SAUDI ARABIA (SEPTTEL) AND THIS, IN TURN LED TO DISCUSSION GENERAL MIDEAST SITUATION. BESHIR IS CLOSE CONFIDENTE OF NIMEIRI AND HAS BEEN USED BY SUDANESE PRESIDENT IN PAST TO CARRY OUT SENSITIVE POLITICAL TASKS. HE HAD BEEN WITH NIMEIRI TUESDAY EVENING.

2. ACCORDING TO BESHIR, ALTHOUGH NIMEIRI CONTINUED TO SUPPORT SADAT INITIATIVE, HE HAD COME TO CONCLUDE THAT EGYPTIAN LEADER WOULD HAVE TO EXHIBIT GREATER FLEXIBILITY OUT OF REGARD FOR OVERALL ARAB POLITICAL SITUATION. BESHIR SAID NIMEIRI'S TOUR OF ARAB CAPITALS EARLIER THIS YEAR IN EFFORT SEEK RECONCILE EGYPT WITH ITS ARAB
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ANTAGONISTS CONVINCED HIM SADAT WOULD HAVE TO COMPROMISE IF HE HOPED AT ALL TO GET REJECTIONISTS TO MOVE TOWARD HIS (SADAT'S) POSITION. NIMEIRI FELT THAT AS LONG AS SADAT REMAINED QUOTE ONE HUNDRED PERCENT UNQUOTE ONE WAY, REJECTIONISTS WOULD REMAIN QUOTE ONE HUNDRED PERCENT UNQUOTE IN OPPOSITION TO HIM.

3. THUS, BESHIR SAID, NIMEIRI WELCOMES CAMP DAVID SUMMIT. IT ALLOWS SADAT INITIATIVE, WHICH NIMEIRI BASICALLY SUPPORTS, TO PROCEED, WHILE GREATLY REDUCING THE INTRA-ARAB PRESSURES WHICH HAD DEVELOPED SINCE SADAT WENT TO JERUSALEM.

4. COMMENT: NIMEIRI HAS NOT RPT NOT COMMENTED PUBLICLY ON CAMP DAVID SUMMIT LOCALLY. AS LONG AS IT APPEARED THAT ARAB LEAGUE COUNCIL WOULD BE MEETING HERE IN SEPTEMBER AND IN CONSIDERATION HIS MANDATE TO ATTEMPT ARAB RECONCILIATION, NIMEIRI HAS BEEN HESITANT TO MAKE PUBLIC STATEMENT WHICH OTHERS MAY CONSIDER PARTISAN. HOWEVER, WE BELIEVE BESHIR'S REMARKS ALMOST CERTAINLY ACCURATELY REFLECT NIMEIRI'S THINKING. THEY ARE CONSISTENT WITH NIMEIRI'S OWN COMMENTS REGARDING SADAT INITIATIVE THAT HE HAS MADE DIRECTLY TO AMBASSADOR AND OTHER AMERICANS.
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